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In re Application of:

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For:

BACTERIAL INOCULANTS FOR ENHANCING PLANT GROWTH

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is being submitted in connection with the Office Action mailed on September 19, 2007 in the above-identified Application. A Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 is enclosed with the appropriate fee. If any additional fees are required as a result of the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is kindly authorized to charge our deposit account 04-2223 for any fees that may be due and owing in connection with this application, including any necessary extensions of time fees.

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